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For:	LIQUID CONTAINER,)	
	LIQUID USING DEVICE	:	
	PRINTING APPARATUS,)	
	AND METHOD OF	:	
	MANUFACTURING LIQUID)	
	CONTAINER	:	May 3, 2006

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0135646, which is listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of this U.S. patent document is not enclosed, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a) as revised September, 2004 and pursuant to the waiver published at 1287 OG 163 (October, 2004).

U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0135646 was cited during prosecution of a Chinese patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. The Chinese Office Action was dated March 17, 2006. In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that the document cited in this Information Disclosure

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In addition, it is noted that this published U.S. Application corresponds to

U.S. Patent 6,837,575, which was cited by the instant Examiner in her last Office Action

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The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form

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